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In re Application of	:	
Kloppenborg et al.	:	
Application No.: 10/595,096	:	DECISION
PCT No.: PCT/EP2004/008226	:	
Int. Filing Date: 23 July 2004	:	ON
Priority Date: 27 August 2003	:	
Attorney Docket No.: PAT-01151/BC1-0226	:	PETITION
For: Method For Producing Chromophore And/Or	:	
Effect-Producing Multilayer Varnishes	:	

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 filed on 22 August 2011, which is also being treated as a renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

DISCUSSION

Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182

In a Decision mailed on 21 March 2011, applicants were advised (*inter alia*) that

Inspection of the executed declaration filed on 11 December 2009 reveals that it nominates "Patricia Kloppenborg" in lieu of "SCHNEIDER, Patricia" named in the published international application... In that the requested change clearly represents more than the correction of a typographical or transliteration error, a formal petition under 37 CFR 1.182 would be required in order for the change to be accepted. Any such petition should be accompanied by a first-hand statement, preferably by the inventor herself, stating the relevant facts...

In response, applicants have filed the instant petition under 37 CFR 1.182, which introduces evidence relating to the inventor's name change. Specifically, petitioner has provided a statement signed by Patricia Kloppenborg, who asserts that she was an inventor of the instant application and that her surname was changed from Schneider as a result of marriage. Based on the totality of the evidence now of record, it would be appropriate to accept the inventor's statements, and consequently to accept the declaration filed on 11 December 2009 for purposes of compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b). The petition fee is being charged to Deposit Account no. 06-1130, per the authorization included in the petition.

Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)

In the Decision mailed on 21 March 2011, the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed on 11 December 2009 was dismissed, without prejudice, because the required reply (an oath or declaration compliant with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b)) had not been provided. In view of the foregoing discussion of the petition under 37 CFR 1.182, the required reply now is regarded as having been filed on 11 December 2009 and, as such, all of the requirements for relief under 37 CFR 1.137(b) now have been satisfied.

DECISION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is **GRANTED**.

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This application is being returned to the Office of Patent Application Processing, including changing its status in PALM from abandoned to pending. Its date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2) and (4) is **11 December 2009**.

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